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The Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

National Intelligence Council

24 August 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

FROM: H. F. Hutchinson, Jr.
Vice Chairman

SUBJECT: Procedures for Interagency Intelligence Production

REFERENCE: DIA Memorandum, C-0199/DE, same subject, 20 Aug 87

1. Your support of the major changes incorporated into the 5 August 87 draft is appreciated. Many of those changes were suggested by DIA and the Services. We have sought to construct broad guidelines without indulging in all the varying detail that must be dealt with by different agencies and their representatives in the interagency production process.

2. We will carry out some of the changes you recommended in your 20 August memorandum (attached), but we believe that it is inappropriate to incorporate them in these procedures.

a. We agree with your para 1.a. and 1.b.; we have made arrangements within the National Intelligence Council and to NFIB Secretariat to do that; but, this is too detailed for inclusion in the Procedures.

b. Your para 2.a. deals with an issue best treated separately from these Procedures. We have sought mutual understanding of these problems and agreements on solutions for some time now. The issue is broader than the interagency products and we believe that we should address the broader issue in another channel.

c. We agree with your para 2.b. that the NIO and the NFIB representatives should consider a recommendation for foreign dissemination of the interagency product before the approval stage. The NIOs have been reminded.

d. Your para 3 deals with a DoD procedure that we believe is best dealt with internally. We do not wish to interfere with DoD requirements that the DIA validate requests for estimates from Department of Defense components. On the other hand, we do not wish to

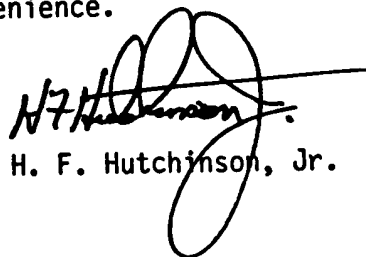
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erect barriers to communications between NIOs or the DCI and the senior intelligence and policy officials or military commanders. In any case, the Defense Intelligence Agency would be consulted, as would all NFIB members, concerning a proposal for an interagency product. Further, we respect your preference that DIA endorsement for production be addressed to the DCI rather than the NIO. On the other hand, we do not wish to make any change in the Procedures that would interfere with the preference of other NFIB members to address these issues to the NIOs who will deal with them on behalf of the DCI.

3. We hope that your concerns have been accommodated by the actions described above. If you would like to discuss some of these issues further, I would be pleased to drop by at your convenience.



H. F. Hutchinson, Jr.

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